

MEMO TO FILE:

January 21, 1982
RE: ACT/003/001
Rock Pass Mines
Box Elder County

Route
Per 1/25
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FROM: Paul L. Sjoblom *PLS*

I called Hal A. LaFleur, in Ogden, telephone: 393-3297, regarding the Status of the mining activity on the Rock Pass Mines in T9N, R17W, Secs 11,12,13,14, SLM, Box Elder County.

In 1979, Mr. LaFleur leased his interest in the NE-1/4 of Section 11 and the W-1/2NW-1/4 of Section 13 to Andy McDermitt (not sure of spelling of last name) of Montello, Nevada. Mr. McDermitt is connected with Box Cedar, Marco Minerals and Rocky Pass Mine Co. of Houston, Texas. Over a three month period during the summer of 1980, the mine and general area was mined. The operation was all surface mining with bulldozers. Several other areas in the general vicinity were tested for possible minerals (Tungsten). Mr. LaFleur stated that he took a good close look by aerial survey of the general area in October 1981. He reports there was no mining activity going on in the area. No equipment was left on site, but the area was left with a lot of trash and debris and numerous roads and "test pits" were observed.

The "test pits" are sites that have been dug out by the bulldozer to see if there was any evidence of minerals. He stated the original mined area was about 2 acres in size, but extensive damage had been done by the road building and the "test pit" digging. The area has several dangerous areas where sheer walls and overhangs were left. He also stated that exploratory roads and at least one test pit covering about an acre of ground was on a State section of ground, T9N, R17W, Sec 2.

Andy McDermitt and Associates are in default of their lease at the present time and Hal LaFleur is looking for him or them.

Hal A. LaFleur
Telephone: Ogden, 393-3297

NOTE 1/22/82

JOHN BLAKE, DIVISION OF STATE LANDS, STATES HE IS AWARE OF MINING ACTIVITY BUT ISNT SURE THAT PART OF IT MAY BE ON STATE LANDS. HE WANTS TO FIELD CHECK IT TO BE SURE.

NOTE: 10/27/86

JOHN BLAKE STATES THAT *PA*
THE MINING ACTIVITY DID NOT EXTEND
ONTO STATE LANDS. *FF*